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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

December 30, 2003

In re application of

Michael Brier

Serial No.

09/975,495

Filed

October 11, 2001

Title

PROCESS FOR PRODUCING FABRIC ARTICLES

HAVING WATER-RESISTANT AND/OR ANTIMICROBIAL CHARACTERISTICS

Examiner

Erma C. Cameron

Art Unit

1762

Attorney Docket No.

4469.002

AMENDMENT IN RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION DATED JULY 30,2003

Mail Stop - Non Fee Amendment Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

Responsive to Office Action dated July 30, 2003, please amend this application as indicated herein below. A petition for extension of time under 37 CFR 1.136(a) with the appropriate fee is filed herewith. Applicant believes that this Amendment is both timely and fully responsive to the issues raised by the Examiner.